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IMPROVE USE OF TRUCK TRANSPORTATION.
ORGANIZE MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION IN BULGARIA

DECREE ON "AVTOTEK" OFFICES -- Sofia, Izvestiya, 14 Nov 52

In accordance with Decree (postanovlenie) No 3-589, issued 21 June 1952 by the Council of Ministers, the UAT (Automobile Transportation Administration) under the Ministry of Transportation is to organize, as of 1 January 1953, "Avtotek" (Avtotransportna expeditorska Kintara, Automobile Transporting and Expediting Office) trucking offices for utilizing empty runs of the trucks of all departments and organizations.

At specified road junctions through which large numbers of unloaded trucks pass, dispatcher-control points are to be organized as organs of the appropriate "Avtotek," for summoning and dispatching empty trucks to and from loading points.

In places where there are no "Avtotek," suitable loading points for empty vehicles will be organized by the existing trucking stations of UAT.

All ministries, services, social organizations, enterprises, and others having trucks are forbidden to dispatch their vehicles on a trip if there is a regular transport service in that area, unless the vehicle's road papers contain a note from the appropriate "Avtotek" stating that no freight is being transported from that area.

Ambulances, fire apparatus, traveling workshops, and mobile cranes, street-cleaning vehicles, vehicles for transporting foodstuffs, and other special vehicles are exempt, provided their destinations are noted in the road papers.

Other vehicles which are exempt include mail trucks and wreckers, when their mission is noted in the road papers; and vehicles of the Ministry of Defense and the Ministry of Interior when these are fulfilling operational missions and when the drivers are provided with appropriate orders.

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Supervisors of enterprises, establishments, social organizations, and others possessing trucks are to put their trucks at the disposal of "Avtotek" when the trucks travel empty or partially loaded in a specific direction. On the day before a trip or, in emergency cases, not later than 4 hours prior to dispatching the vehicle, supervisors are to notify the "Avtotek" of the direction in which the vehicles will travel.

"Avtotek" may divert empty vehicles from their given route up to a distance of 10 kilometers in order to load them.

To acquire experience in the utilization of empty trucks, UAT is to appoint two dispatchers before the end of 1952, one in Sofia and one in Plovdiv, who are to organize the loading of empty trucks.

SOFIA MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION -- Sofia, Vecherni Novini, 20 Mar 53

The first inspection of all types of motor vehicles in Sofia will be carried out by the Automobile Transportation Control Section ("Kontrol Avtotransporta" Otdel) of the Sofia Administration of the People's Militia (Stolichno upravlenie na narodnata militsiya) between 16 March and 18 April 1953, at the corner of ulitsa K. Velichkov and bulvard Aleksandur Stamboliyski.

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